

THE DIRECTORS IN CONVENTION

Managers of Public Schools
Meet in Courthouse

DISCUSS MANY PROBLEMS.

Director of Officers Results in Return of Last Year's Incumbents—Delegates Chosen to State Convention—Judge Bell Takes Prominent Part in Debates.

The eleventh annual session of the Clearfield County School Directors association opened in the court house Wednesday morning, and after the delegates had been enrolled and the president had delivered his address the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—J. A. Beals; reelected. Vice presidents—William Wingert, and H. C. Conner.

Secretary—A. G. Kramer; reelected.

Treasurer—George G. Weber, reelected.

J. Frank Rowles, A. G. Kramer, and H. C. Conner were elected delegates to the State association convention. Alternates: D. P. Michaels, Frank Bilger and H. G. Dressler.

W. P. Thorpe was chosen auditor, to audit the accounts of the county institute.

Afternoon Session.

At the afternoon session President Beals appointed the following members of the resolution committee: Walker Stewart, B. K. Rowland, T. M. Davidson and Hon. Singleton Bell.

The question, "Should the tenth consecutive employment in a district be a permanent employment in said district?" was discussed by A. G. Kramer, T. M. Davidson, Julius Viebaum, Judge Bell, and President Beals. It was agreed that the committee on resolutions present the question to the State convention.

"Should the medical inspection in the third and fourth class districts be compulsory, same as it is in the first and second class districts?" was discussed by Dr. Rowles, Dr. Bryan, A. J. Beals, William W. Wingert, Julius Viebaum and others.

Defective Children.
"Should the parents of children found defective by the medical inspector be required by law to make an effort to cure or relieve such defect. In case of inability of parents to do so, should the district be authorized to do so at public expense?" This important question was discussed pro and con by President Beals, Dr. Rowles, Judge Bell and others.

"Should the minimum salary of teachers be increased, and if so to what amount, and should increase be paid by the state out of the appropriation?" was discussed by Perry Straw, Judge Bell and others.

The questions discussed this morning were: "Would it be more beneficial to the teachers and to the school to have the institute held at or about the commencement of the school term?" "The parents' responsibility to the school board in the enforcement of the compulsory school law." "Should the directors receive a compensation of \$2 per day for 12 monthly meetings during the year?"

The rest of the morning session was taken up with reports of various kinds. There were about 100 directors present today.

DENIES STATEMENTS

T. W. Vokes Says There is Strike at Rolling Mill.

T. W. Vokes has asked the Progress to state that there is a strike on at the rolling mill; that the men who are on strike were not told to quit; that these men were not working for \$1.75 a day, but for \$1.90, and asked for \$2.50; that these 5 men worked in the old mill and are men unskilled; that the company tried to get men from Williamsport but when these came to Clearfield they found there was trouble and returned; that the strikers were willing to compromise, but that the company would have nothing to do with them.

Mr. Vokes is a coal digger in the mine which furnishes the mill with coal.

Gift boxes of finest chocolates, all sizes from half pound to five pound at Mrs. Cuneo's.

STATE CHAIRMAN HERE

Head of Washington Party on Way to DuBois.

A. Nevin Detrick state chairman of the Washington party, was in town today on his way to DuBois, where he will meet chairman of Clearfield, Center, Indiana, Jefferson, Clarion, Elk, Cameron and McKean counties to organize these counties into a group, with a chairman who, with the workers of the various counties, will thoroughly organize the Washington party and prepare for the spring primaries, at which state and county committeemen will be chosen by popular vote.

Chairman Detrick states that he has met with great success in organizing groups in other counties; that he finds the Washington party in good shape, and that the prospects of the party's success in the gubernatorial and senatorial elections next year are most excellent.

DINNER AND DANCE

Manager Sheldon Preparing for Fine Time New Year's Night.

Manager Sheldon, of the Dimeling, is fast completing arrangements for the dinner and dance he will give in his hostelry on New Year's night. Those who know Mr. Sheldon, and he is known from Kalamazoo to Mehoopany, know that he will give his guests a rare treat on this occasion.

Klittering's orchestra, of Greensburg, will provide the music for the dance. Tables can be reserved by applying to the hotel office.

ANNUAL REUNION

Banquet and Dance of Lock Haven Normal Alumni.

Tonight, at the Dimeling, the annual reunion and banquet of the Lock Haven Normal school alumni will be held. All alumni and students of the school are invited to attend. Tickets can be had by applying to the committee or at the hotel office.

C. A. Weisgerber, of Winburne, is president of the alumni and the committee of arrangements is comprised of H. L. Kriner, chairman; D. A. Yingling, and B. A. Barnett.

President Weisgerber will be toastmaster at the banquet, which will begin at 6 o'clock. The dance, will open at 10 o'clock. The Gullch orchestra will furnish the music.

CLEARFIELD IN IT

Suits to be Brought Against Packing Firms.

Dairy and Food Commissioner James Foust says that he had arranged to institute suits in Centre, Venango and Clearfield counties against packing firms on the charge of violating the cold storage law in shipping to this state meats and products from cold storage which are placed in so-called cooling rooms. This will start a test of the cold storage law.

KEELER'S LAST HOPE IS GONE

Refused a Rehearing by the Board of Pardons

At the session of the board of pardons at Harrisburg, Wednesday night the case of John O. Keeler, of Clearfield, convicted of murdering Joseph Roessner, was presented.

The board refused to grant a rehearing for Keeler.

Keeler must, therefore, be hanged on January 15.

Birthday Party.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Flegal, on Ogden avenue, there was held a birthday party in honor of Mrs. Flegal's 52nd birthday anniversary. The surprise was planned by her daughter and son and was a success. A large number of friends were present and fine refreshments were served. The guests returned to their homes wishing Mrs. Flegal many returns of the day.

Go to Mrs. Cuneo's for fresh candies from 10c a lb to 60c.

Home-made Taffy at 15c lb. at Mrs. Cuneo's.

TEACHERS BEING ABLY TAUGHT

Instructors Continue to Give Satisfaction

SET PEDAGOGUES THINKING.

Dr. Hulley, Dr. Winship and Dr. Diffenbaugh Bring Forth Many New Ideas in Educational Work Which Will be of Benefit to Teachers and Pupils of the County Schools.

When the county institute opened Wednesday afternoon H. G. Gress, gave a report of the local institutes held in various parts of the county in the past year.

Dr. Diffenbaugh then addressed the teachers, beginning his remarks by declaring:

"If I were again teaching country school" he said, he would give his pupils a broader and deeper knowledge by supplementing the text book. He would eliminate the non-essentials. "Acquaint the youngsters with nature by taking frequent hikes and by making numerous experiments introduce problems which relate to country life." and last but not least, he would make his school room more attractive.

"The Personal Element."

"The Personal Element" was the theme discussed by Dr. Winship. He said:

"Personality is heaven born, but you can develop it. It is eternal. It is the requisite of every successful teacher. Better study under a great personality than a person possessing only great knowledge. 'Dominate, but do not dominate.'"

By numerous illustrations he showed how this was possible in all phases of life, but specially urged the teacher to be cautious and dominate the boys in school as she would the boys out of school.

"Riley and the Home Folks"

Dr. Hulley entertained a packed house yesterday afternoon with some of Whitcomb Riley's "catchy poems, poems which touch common every day life. "At the Literary," "Old John Henry", etc.

He dwelt on Riley's genial Irish humor, also his great sympathy for his fellow man. He never makes fun of human weaknesses, but shows great tenderness for folks less fortunate than himself, a fact Dr. Hulley advised all to consider well.

The lecture of Dr. John Merritt Driver, in the opera house last evening, was listened to with great attention, although some of his remarks were not liked by some of the people who heard them. The Dr. spoke on "America Facing the East", a topic of much interest just at this time.

Thursday Morning.

This morning Prof. Zaner talked on "Penmanship." He told the teachers not to have any particular system or style in mind in writing. The typewriter has set a standard and necessitates better writers. Teach penmanship with the same interest you would any other subject. Essentials—Be interested in the subject. Be efficient yourself. Train the young one at the blackboard. Exact best writing from older pupils.

Professor Zaner spent the last part of his period helping the teachers solve some of their difficulties—such as dealing with left-handed pupils.

"Child Study."

Dr. Hulley discussed "Child Study and Child Training," advising the teacher to make a scientific study of the child. No amount of theoretical study will take the place of the actual conditions in your own school room. Train the imagination. Remember the fears of the child—they are real to him. Fear isn't necessarily cowardice. Remember the sorrows of children. A big heart is the greatest qualification of a teacher.

Dr. Winship told the teachers to be on the firing line. Put edge on education. He suggested contests with prizes, saying that he believed the bankers and business men of Clearfield would pay for prizes. Organize the play of children. There is great educational value in knowing how to play.

Grapefruits, tangerines, Florida sweets, small size, 20c a dozen, at Mrs. Cuneo's.

GOING HIGHER

Fred Bartles, Formerly of Clearfield, Receives Promotion.

On the first of December Fred R. Bartles, formerly of this place, was promoted from train master on the Northern Pacific to superintendent of the Fargo division, which division extends from Fargo to Bismark, covering a distance of 200 miles. This change has caused the family to move from Pasco, Wash., to Fargo, North Dakota, where they will now reside. Mr. Bartles, after graduating at Lehigh in 1901, became connected with the N. Y. C. and constructed, in a measure, the West Branch Valley road, after which he was appointed assistant to the government engineer, John F. Stevens, in the construction of the Panama canal, where he was employed during the years 1905 and 1906, and it was through Mr. Stevens that he became connected with the Northern Pacific road in 1907, where he was promoted from supervisor to trainmaster in 1910 for the western division, extending from Pasco to Seattle, Wash.

His services to the company were recognized. Although among the youngest men of the company he was tendered the private car job, which position commands a salary of \$5000 yearly. His oldest daughter, Virginia, was born on Bridge street, Clearfield, on the 27th of July, 1904, hence was christened the "Centennial Girl", the 100th anniversary of Clearfield county being celebrated at that time. The family is moving this week from Pasco to Fargo, at which place they formerly resided and which is 2,500 mile nearer Clearfield than Pasco.

ENDS LIFE BEFORE WEDDING.

Farmer Dresses as if For Ceremony and Shoots Himself.

York, Pa., Dec. 18.—David Hinkle, nineteen years old, who was to be married on Christmas day to Miss Jessie Warner, of near Jefferson, committed suicide by shooting himself in the heart. He has been paying attention to several girls lately, but selected Miss Warner as his bride. The bride to be had bought her wedding gown, and all arrangements had been made to have a wedding on Christmas day.

Hinkle was engaged in farming, and he spent the day before at work in the field. Returning home he carefully prepared his toilet, put on the new suit of clothes in which he was to be married and, going to an upstairs room, sent a bullet through his heart.

Beau Brummel's Dress.

Evidently we must not believe all that we have read of Beau Brummel. There were stories that he appeared in "a dove colored coat and white satin breeches," that it took two artists to make his gloves, a special expert being assigned to the thumbs, and that he had three hinders who specialized, so to speak, on the different parts of his head. All these stories, it seems, are fiction, according to Leon H. Vincent's "Familes and Men of Letters."

"Simplicity and unobtrusive elegance were his ideals. To attract notice by conspicuousness in dress was in his opinion the most mortifying experience that a gentleman could have. Byron told Leigh Hunt that there was nothing remarkable in Brummel's dress except a certain exquisite propriety. From which it may be inferred that his reforms were of a sensible sort."

Applying the Lesson.

Teacher—Have you looked up the meaning of the word Imbibe, Fanny? Fanny—Yes, ma'am. Teacher—Well, what does it mean? Fanny—To take in. Teacher—Yes. Now give a sentence using the word. Fanny—My aunt imbibes boarders. — Philadelphia Ledger.

January Woman's Home Companion.

One of the most interesting contributions to the January Woman's Home Companion is an article by Ralph Waldo Trine entitled "Actualizing One's Ideals" in which the author makes many helpful suggestions which the individual reader can apply in the conduct of his own life.

Other notable articles in the January Companion are: "Finding Happiness in Witter's Garden," by Frank A. Waugh; "The Coming of the Kewpies," by Rose O'Neill; "The World's Greatest Paintings," by Laura Spencer Porlier; and "Importance of Good Health," by Dr. S. Josephine Baker.

Ploton is contributed by Margaret Deland, Mary Heaton Vorrie, Mary Hastings Bradley, Nelly Elliot Seawell, Juliet Wilbur Tompkins and Zona Gale.

Unusual provision is made for the enjoyment of children.

The regular Cooking, Housekeeping and Fashion departments are crowded with interesting, practical, ideas and entertaining reading.

SAY MISSING GIRL IS NOW IN CHICAGO

Doctor and Woman Assert She Called on Them.

IDENTIFY HER PHOTOGRAPHS

In Meantime Detectives Continue Search on Long Island—Family Adverse to More Publicity, and Father States He Can See No Mystery in Daughter's Disappearance.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Miss Jessie McCann, the missing social worker of New York city, is in Chicago, according to information in the possession of Detective Sergeant W. J. Dillon, who is at work on the case here.

Mrs. Mary Fisher, who lives at 1814 Wabash avenue, identified the photographs of Miss McCann as being those of a young woman who called upon her a week ago and desired to rent a room.

"She told me that she had married a man without her parents' consent," said Mrs. Fisher, "and that she desired a room that she could call her own while she underwent an operation for appendicitis."

Dr. G. A. Remington of 2208 Wabash avenue also partly identified the photographs of Miss McCann as being those of a young woman who called upon him on Dec. 9 for a consultation.

Family Adverse to Publicity.

New York, Dec. 18.—Robert G. McCann, father of the missing girl, is now adverse to publicity regarding his daughter's disappearance. Last week the McCann family thanked the press for the photographs and descriptions of the young woman which were published.

Now it is said at the McCann home that in the future the family would have nothing to say.

"I can't understand why the newspapers dwell on the idea that Jessie's going away is a mystery," said Mr. McCann. "I am her father, and I don't consider it a mystery. And as for bringing all these young men into the case, it is most unfair to my daughter and to them. The latest report that an elderly Wall street man is concerned in some way is too absurd to need a denial. I know, however, that the police are not interested in this fictitious person."

Detectives engaged in the search for Miss McCann are puzzled to explain Mr. McCann's statement that the disappearance of his daughter is not a mystery to him.

Letters, telegrams and anonymous postcards continue to pour into the McCann home in undiminished volume. The McCann family have engaged more detectives from a private detective agency, while arrangements were completed to distribute reels of films showing Miss McCann in various poses to the 6,000 theaters throughout the United States.

Detectives at Good Ground, Amityville and Babylon in Long island continued their search running down promising clues.

PANIC FOLLOWS COLLISION OF SHIPS

Tennessee, With 150 Passengers, In Crash.

New York, Dec. 18.—One hundred and fifty passengers, forty of them women, on board the steamboat Tennessee, were in a state of panic for hours after the boat had been in a collision with a four masted schooner in the sound. The Tennessee, with twenty feet of her port rail torn away, several staterooms stove in and the pilothouse smashed, was towed back to her pier by the tug Norwalk.

None of the passengers was hurt. This was due chiefly to the effort of the crew of forty-five and to twenty-five sailors of the battleship fleet who were aboard and helped to maintain order.

The schooner was the four master Mattie Bassett. The crash occurred off Execution light, at the western entrance to the sound, an hour and a half after the Tennessee had left her pier for Providence. The schooner after the collision continued on her way to Hempstead bay, apparently not damaged below the water line.

On board the Tennessee were the passengers and a crew of forty-five in command of Captain George D. Enos. The larger number of the passengers were in the dining saloon at the time of the accident.

Policemen Can't Chew Gum.

Boston, Dec. 18.—Boston police officers must not chew gum or tobacco while on duty, according to the new rules of the department which Commissioner O'Brien issued.

A SPLENDID SERMON

Dr. E. C. Reeve Highly Complimented by a Parishioner.

The sermon preached in the First Presbyterian church last Sunday by Rev. E. C. Reeve was one of the most eloquent discourses it has ever been the writer's privilege to listen to. The rapid attention of the large congregation was one of breathless interest from the first words until the peroration.

One who stood facing the audience said: "Every eye directed on him and no one seemed to miss one word." Clearfield should be proud, and especially the congregation of the Presbyterian church, to have among us one who can hold an audience as Dr. Reeve did his hearers, and with his splendid talent, which is gaining every Sabbath, we should feel honored that we are able to keep him with us. No wonder Washington called him.

Dr. Reeve's chief topic on Sunday was "Temperance" and the report of the workers and work done at the convention of the Anti-Saloon league at Columbus.

A LISTENER.

MRS. MARTHA STILES.

Former Clearfield Woman Dies in Altoona Hospital.

At the Altoona hospital Tuesday morning, Mrs. Martha Stiles, wife of J. C. Stiles of 1414 Tenth street, Altoona, died of chronic nephritis and cerebral hemorrhages. She was aged 44 years, being born in Centre county, July 16, 1869, and in 1906 was united in marriage to J. C. Stiles who survives with three sisters—Mrs. A. E. Rittenhouse, of Lewisburg; Mrs. George Shunkwiler of Clearfield, and Mrs. A. Flegal, of Blue Ball. One brother, residing near Olean, N. Y., also survives, as does her mother, Mrs. Martha De Armit, of Clearfield. She attended the First Methodist Episcopal church of Altoona. The remains will be taken to Blue Ball, Friday morning. Funeral services will be held at the church at that place, followed by interment in the cemetery adjoining.

GRAMPIAN.

The Friends Sunday School will hold their Christmas exercises at Gramplan on Sunday, December 21, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Mrs. Miller, of Gramplan, spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Wall.

We hope that every R.F.D. carrier in the county will arrange to meet in DuBois to aid in organizing the county, as it's our duty to support the state and national organizations.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wriglesworth visited Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Seyler, in Luthersburg, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Wall visited Mr. and Mrs. John Hally on Sunday.

Miss Lida Spencer and Fred Freeman were married at the parsonage at Lumber City, by Rev. Hegenfritz, at 8 o'clock Thursday last.

W. J. McGovern, formerly of this place, but who is employed in the lumber business in West Virginia for a number of years past, is spending a few weeks here visiting.

Miss Nadine Rowles is very ill at this writing.

Sheridan McKeown's have moved from Gramplan to the Cassidy place, recently occupied by Lester Caldwell who has moved to Kermoor.

Misses Roxie L. Carr and Ines Spencer were shopping in Curwensville on Monday.

Mrs. H. B. Clary and Mrs. H. J. Russel were shopping in Clearfield Monday afternoon.

Christmas services will be held in the M. E. church on Christmas Eve, December 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Cheyven were in Clearfield Monday morning.

TEACHER A BRIDE

Pretty Wedding Takes Place at Mahaffey on Saturday.

On Saturday last, at the home of Rev. Frank, at Mahaffey, Miss Virginia Wilson, one of Burnside township's most efficient school teachers, and William Stauffer, of Burnside, were united in wedlock. After spending their honeymoon with the groom's sister at Brockwayville the young people returned to Burnside.

The bride will finish her term of school and in the spring they will go to housekeeping in Burnside, where the groom has a profitable position.

Puddlers wanted. Pittsburgh, Byers Mill going on full. Puddling \$7.50 per ton. No trouble. 106 21.

Fresh nuts at Mrs. Cuneo's. Mixed nuts, 18c a lb.

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Good evening! If you have not al-
ready bought your Christmas pres-
ents it will be advisable for you to
get a move on.

ALWAYS INTERESTED.

One of the most interested visitors
to the county institute this week is
Prof. B. C. Youngman, who for so
many years was connected with
educational affairs in Clearfield coun-
ty. Prof. Youngman never fails to
get in touch with those who have
control of the public schools or
with educators who are making an
effort to increase the facilities af-
forded the young people of today to
gain an education.

Clearfield citizens took upon Prof.
Youngman as one of their most
highly honored residents. Since his
retirement he has never failed to
give his attention to educational mat-
ters, and the annual institute is an
object of much interest to him, es-
pecially when he compares the meth-
ods of teaching today with those in
vogue when he was head of the edu-
cational department of the county.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING.

Clearfield county residents know
that they can buy at advantageously
in the stores of Clearfield town as
anywhere else in the state. Most of
the people who can conveniently do
so deal in Clearfield. At present the
Christmas rush is on, and the stores
in this town are crowded while they
are open with innumerable shoppers,
intent upon getting the right kind
of gifts for Christmas.

Clearfield merchants prepared for
a busy time before Christmas this
year. The stores here are stocked
with every variety of goods and ar-
ticles to tempt the purchaser, and
the prices are right. It is a finicky
person who cannot find in the stores
of Clearfield anything and every-
thing that is needed to complete the
list of Christmas gifts which the
people desire to buy for Christmas
offerings.

The railroads which enter this town
and which do a business worth while
with citizens should show their ap-
preciation of the people's patronage
by giving Clearfield better passenger
service than the town now has.

Make the poor child's Christmas a
happy one.

NEW BOARD OF HEALTH.

Clearfield is a healthy town. The
people here are free from the peril
of serious disease, due to the care
which former local boards of
health have taken to prevent disease-
breeding filth to remain in the
streets and alleys. There is still
some work to do before Clearfield can
boast of being the healthiest town in
the state, but as a whole the town
can boast of the excellent health of
its citizens.

With an active health officer, one
who will attend to his duties at all
times and who will be watchful that
none of the laws of health are
violated, either deliberately or unin-
tentionally, there is no reason why
Clearfield people should not remain
immune from the peril of dangerous
contagious diseases such as have pre-
vailed in some of the towns in other
sections of the West Branch valley.

The retiring board of health sur-
renders office with the knowledge
that its members acted with the best
possible judgement in dealing with
the problems which confronted them.
The new board can rest assured that

in their efforts to keep Clearfield to
the front in the list of healthy towns
they will have the assistance of the
citizens generally.

We are pleased to see that only
a few of the young men who teach
school in Clearfield county smoke
cigarettes. Cigarettes and brains do
not make good bed fellows.

It is your own dog that you will
have to take care of; your neighbor
will have to attend to his own.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Davis Middleton, of Philps-
burg, is spending the week in Clear-
field with her sister, Mrs. R. E.
Shaw, who is seriously ill.

Miss Ella Richards and friend of
Glen Richey, were shopping in Clear-
field Wednesday.

Mrs. B. Jury has returned to her
home in DuBois, after spending sev-
eral days at the home of R. E.
Shaw, on West Front street.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Cox, of Glen
Richey, were Clearfield visitors on
Wednesday.

Mrs. J. C. Wise and daughter, Mary
and son, Henry, of Ansonville, attend
ed institute Wednesday.

Mrs. Lillie Litz and daughter, Anna
Beck, were Christmas shoppers Wed-
nesday.

Mrs. Cyrus Wilson, of Woodland, is
the guest of Mrs. J. Simmers, of Wil-
liams street.

Miss Anna Cushman and Miss Esth-
er Miles, two well known teachers of
Ramey, are in attendance at insti-
tute.

Miss Meda Shaw, of the Progress
force, is visiting friends in Tyrone.

Mrs. Andrew McQuown, of Mahaf-
fey, was registered at the Dimeling
yesterday.

Miss Katherine Shugert and Miss
Anna Ball, of Morrisdale, were
guests at the Dimeling yesterday.

Dallas E. Guppy had business in
DuBois this week.

Frank E. Watie, of DuBois, was
in Clearfield this week, on business
connected with the United Mine Work-
ers of America.

W. A. Hagerty Esq., had legal busi-
ness in DuBois this week.

Prof. J. S. F. Rathrauff, of Philps-
burg, is attending the county institute
in Clearfield.

Dr. H. G. Jones and wife, of Kyles-
town, attended the county institute
yesterday.

School Over Mine Collapse.
Scranton, Pa., Dec. 16.—Public school
building No. 17, which was closed two
weeks ago on account of weakness
caused by cave-ins of nearby coal
mines, collapsed.

Great Poets and a Little Girl.
James Russell Lowell used to walk
along the gravel paths of his beautiful
garden in Cambridge, Mass., hand in
hand with a bright little girl, who was
his neighbor, and discoursed with her
upon fairies, paper dolls, roses and other
important subjects. Henry Wadsworth
Longfellow, a neighbor of Low-
ell's and of the little girl's, who wore a
velvet coat and a big tie, was also her
intimate friend. He used to tell her
wonderful stories of ancient heroes and
many other marvelous things. It was
natural that the little girl should re-
solve even then to become a writer,
and first of all a poet, for it was as a
poet that the novelist, Eleanor Hall-
well Abbott, first achieved recognition.
—Century.

Quick Decision.
"My gas meter is out of whack."
"What's the matter with it?"
"It lies. It doesn't register cor-
rectly."
"That's what they all say."
"But it doesn't register half the gas
we use."
"Then it's lying on the wrong side!
We'll send a man right out."—Houston
Post.

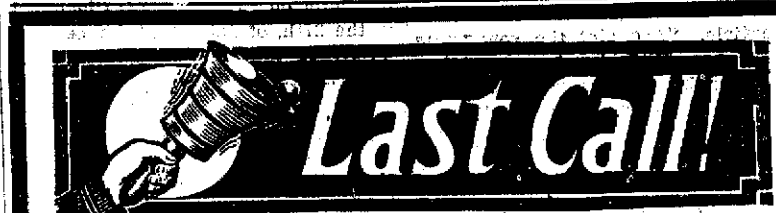
Out of Danger.
Pat, the hodgecarrier (to the carpenter,
who is vigorously sucking his thumb,
cursing at the same time)—Don't you
know how to drive a nail yet without
smashin' yer finger? Carpenter—No;
you blamed fool, and neither do you.
Pat—Sure, I do. Hold the hammer in
both hands.—New York American.

A Bibliophile's Reply.
Mandell Creighton, who was bishop
of London, had a horror of lending his
favorite books. A fellow clergyman
once visited the bishop and took a
fancy to an old edition of Shakespeare.
He borrowed the volume and did not
think to return it for several months.
Finally the minister returned it with
a letter, saying, "My Dear Bishop—I
have great pleasure in returning the
volume you lent me."
The bishop answered, "My Dear
Brother—All the joy is mine."

Threatening rain or snow, but
don't become impatient.

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There are only 6 days left until
Christmas. If you have not com-
pleted your Christmas shopping---
have a few gifts to buy and you do
not know just what to give, do not
overlook the many suggestions offer-
ed here in the way of Carving Sets,
Pocket Knives, Razors, Washing
Machines, Sleds, and Skates for the
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Man don't forget the Waffle Iron you have
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Tools—At all times our stock embraces everything
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Boxes, Chisels in Sets, Auger Bits in sets, Com-
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Handkerchiefs

Christmas Handkerchiefs are now
on display. We are proud of our as-
sortment, no better values to be
had anywhere at the prices 3c to
75c.

Shoes and Slippers

What would be more sensible for
a Xmas present than a pair of shoes
for men, ladies, misses or children, or
a pair of felt or leather slippers,
from the best manufacturers.
Infant's Shoes, 75c to \$1.50.
Children's Shoes, 75c to \$1.50.
Misses' and children's shoes, \$1.25
to \$3.00.
Men's and ladies' shoes \$1.25 to
\$4.00.

Blankets and Haps

All new merchandise received this
fall.
All wool blankets, \$5.00.
Cotton Blankets, 45c to \$2.00.
Comforts, \$1.00 to \$5.90.
Look at our line, we are confident
we can please you.

For The Traveler

Trunks, \$2.25 to \$12.00.
Suit Cases, 98c to \$8.00.
Hand Bags, \$2.00 to \$8.00.
Mating Cases 75c to \$3.00.
Telescopes, 75c to \$1.50.

Ribbons

There is a great demand for rib-
bons this season and we are bet-
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seasons.
Specials in fancy at 19c and 25c.
Xmas Ribbons by the yard and
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Ribbons 1c to 75c yard.

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Buying from the best linen houses
and years of experience in these
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Table Linen 25c to \$2.50 yd.
Napkins 75c to \$4.00 doz.
A nice assortment of Fancy Linen
pieces.

Womens' Neckwear

All new styles are not only beau-
tiful but many novelties not shown
by all stores. Buy early, while
stocks are large. Prices 25c to \$1.50.

Good values in:
Furs, \$1.25 to \$15.00 each.
Dress Goods and silks.
Wool, cotton and kid gloves.
Colgates soaps and perfumes.
Jewelry Sundries.
Sweaters \$1.25 to \$7.00.
Rain Coats \$2.00 to \$5.00.
Hosiery 10c to \$1.00 pair.

Suggestions from our Gro- cery Department

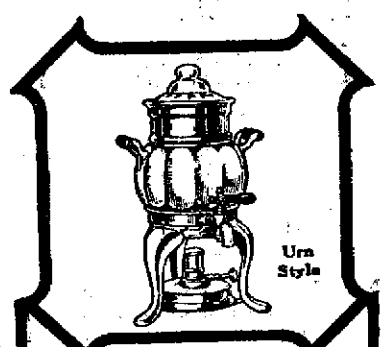
100 piece dinner sets \$16 up.
Toilet sets, \$4.50 to \$12.00.
Roasters \$1.25 to \$2.50.
(Seamless enamel ware)
Glass Lamps 25c to 75c.
Fancy lamps, \$2.50 to \$8.00.
Rayo lamps, \$1.75.
Chocolate Sets \$3.50.
Sugar and cream sets.
Globes, 75c to \$3.00.
Electric light lamps \$7.00.
Salad dishes 35c to \$3.00.
Lowney's chocolate.
100 piece Haviland sets \$25.00
Fancy plates 25c to \$2.25.
10c assortment chinaware.

Open Stock Dishes.

All the staples in plain, gold band
and decorated.

Enamelware.

Coffee and tea pots, kettles, pans,
pitchers, double boilers, pails, etc.
The largest and best selected stock
of groceries in Clearfield.



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Coffee Percolators
Lose No Aroma
in Steam

Coffee boiled for any length of
time in ordinary pots, or sprayed
with boiling water, as in ordinary
percolators, loses its fine aroma in
steam. While good coffee can be
made in ordinary coffee pot by
experts, experts are rare.

The best coffee pot is the one
which automatically completes the
process before the water boils, and
the "Universal" is the only one
that fills this requirement.

This is the perfection of the drip
process, circulating six to
ten times as much water as
any other per-
colator, con-
sequently ex-
tracting a
greater amount
of the aromatic
properties of
the coffee.

Call at the store, see the percolators
and ask for booklet describing them.

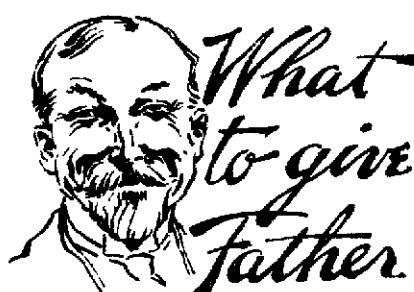
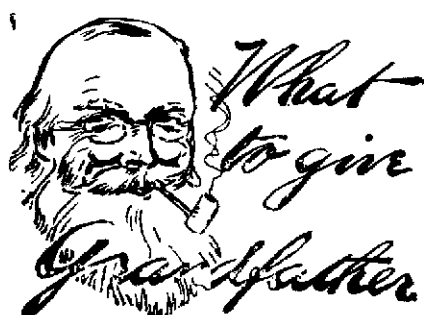
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113-115 Market Street



What Better GIFTS Than These FOR CHRISTMAS

The usual worry of choosing a suitable gift need not arise this Christmas. A gift of some staple, dependable merchandise, or a Holiday novelty, of which this store is filled, will be appreciated every day in the year. As to scope of selection, price and values we pride ourselves. You'd be surprised at the many beautiful things we have for little money. **BEST HOLIDAY VALUES EVER OFFERED.**



X-mas Hosiery

For Every Member of the family

Men's Sox, Women's, Misses' and Children's Hose in Silk, Lisle and Cotton; put up in Xmas boxes—one, two and four pairs to the box.

Women's Black Silk Stockings, in fancy holiday boxes, 50c, 89c, \$1.00, 1.50, 2.00 and 2.25.

Women's Colored Silk Hose, in shades to match your suit or gown, \$1.00 a pair.

Women's Black Lisle Hose, 3 to box, \$1 a box. Women's Black Lisle Hose, 4 to box, \$1 a box.

Men's Colored Silk Sox, 25c and 50c a pair. Men's Black Silk Sox, 2 to box, \$1 a box. Men's Black Lisle Sox, 4 to box, \$1 a box.

Boys' and Girls' Black Cotton Hose, 4 to box, \$1. Infants' White Mercerized Hose, 4 to box, \$1.

Useful Gifts That Men Appreciate

A choosing of a gift for a man is not in itself a difficult task. To choose a gift that will please is the real consideration. Here are some suggestions that are sure to meet with approval:

Men's Silk Suspenders, in Xmas box	98c
Men's Cotton Suspenders, in X-mas box	25c
Men's Suspenders, in burnt wood box	50c
Men's Suspender Sets, in Xmas box	59c
Men's Kid Gloves, in Xmas box	1.50
Men's Silk Knit Ties, in Xmas box	1.00
Men's Silk Ties, plain and fancy colors	50c
Men's Hat Brushes	10c and 19c
Men's Military Brushes, a set	2.00 and 2.50
Men's Smoking Sets	1.98 to 3.98
Men's Pullman Slippers with case, a pair	1.00
Men's Tourist Cases	50c to 2.00
Men's Hair Brushes	50c to 1.00
Men's Clothes Brushes	50c
Men's Leather Cigar Cases	50c
Men's Leather Bill Books	25c to 1.25
Men's Leather Coin Purses	25c to 1.25
Men's Leather Tobacco Pouches	25c and 39c
Men's Linen Handkerchiefs	5c to 50c
Men's Umbrellas	1.00 to 5.00

Pretty Waists

in Christmas Boxes Make Excellent Gifts

What could be more practical or more appreciated than a neat, pretty waist for a Christmas gift—one made of fine sheer Voile or dainty Crepe, with plenty of frills, drop shoulder, long sleeves? Well, these are the kind we are showing in our shirt waist section. The price range is wide enough and the styles varied enough to please all.



A Pair of All Wool Blankets

Would Make a Good Xmas Gift

Few people think of practicability when they buy Christmas gifts. A pair of good warm Woolen Blankets would be practical and serviceable—something they could use and enjoy and always keep. We have a very choice assortment at \$5.00 a pair. They come in a wide range of patterns—plain white with fancy colored borders, and plaids that are in pretty colors. We speak of this one price in particular, because of the great big assortment from which to make selections, and the extraordinary good values here represented.

Of course we have lower priced ones cotton at 59c to \$1.25. Also fine Australian Lambs' Wool Blankets that come one in a box, to sell up to as much as \$15.00 a pair.

For Gift Giving, Nothing Pleases More Than

Dainty Muslin Underwear

Wouldn't she be a happy girl to find on the table on Christmas morning a set of dainty Muslin Underwear from this new assortment we've just received in dainty gift boxes. They are practical and are really a sensible gift.

Corset Covers, 50c to 1.39 Gowns, 1.00 to 2.50
Skirts, 1.00 to 2.00 Drawers, 50c to 1.50
Princess Slips and Combinations, 1.00 to 3.50.

WOMEN'S BATH ROBES AT \$5.00

By express today comes some twenty-five Women's Eiderdown Bath Robes, with quilted satin color and cuffs and girdle. Colors are sky, rose, Copenhagen, navy, red and wisteria.

MESSALINE DRESSING SACQUES

What could possibly be more practical or more appreciated than one of these pretty Silk Dressing Sacques in a neat Xmas box. Special at \$2.95.



Linens Are Always Welcome

and new low prices on fancy and staple linen make them less expensive, or just a little nicer than for many years. When in doubt visit our Linen department

Special Xmas Prices on Table Linen by the Yard

90c All Linen Cream Damask, Xmas price, per yard	79c
90c " " Bleached " " " " " "	79c
\$1.00 " " " " " " " " " "	89c
1.25 " " Silver Bleached " " " " " "	\$1.00
1.75 " " Bleached " " " " " "	1.25
3.15 " " " " " " " " " "	2.75
2.00 " " " " " " " " " "	1.48

Bleached Napkins by the dozen to match, 50c to \$5.00	
H. S. Guest Towels, with monogram space,	19c
H. S. and Scalloped Guest Towels, 14x22	25c
H. S. and Embroidered Guest Towels	50c
H. S. Linen Huck Towels, with fancy borders and monogram space	25c to \$2.00 each
45x36 Embroidered Pillow Cases	25c each
45x36 Embroidered Pillow Cases, ready boxed	\$1.00 a pair
45x36 H. S. Linen Cases,	1.35 to \$2.75 a pair
45x36 Embroidered Linen Cases	4.00 and \$4.50 a pair
90x100 H. S. Linen Sheets	9.75 and \$12.50 a pair
7 and 12-inch Plate Doilies	50c up to 89c each
20-inch Cluny Edge Doilies,	50c up to \$2.00 each
Linen Torchon Lace Edge Centre Pieces,	50c to \$1.50
Battenberg Squares and Scarfs,	1.00 to \$2.50

Sensible Gifts

For

Practical People

Gift seekers will find plenty of interest in our Umbrella section. This season we are showing, aside from regular Umbrellas for men and women, a large assortment of the folding Suit Case Umbrellas, that are filling many gift wants, owing to the very moderate prices at which these much desired Umbrellas are now sold. At \$1 are the regular and "The India" in rain-proof covers, case and tassel, and a choice assortment of plain and carved natural wood handles, both men and women sizes.

"THE INDIA" Umbrellas, with silk and wool mixed and all silk covers; plain, natural wood and carved handles, 1.50 to \$5.00.

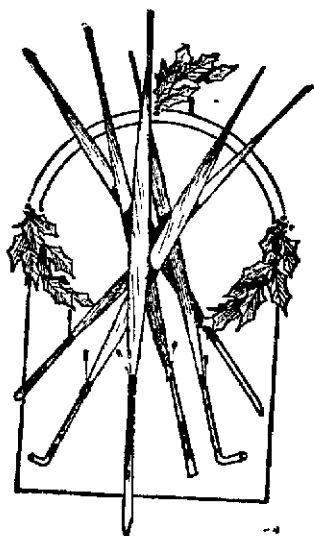
COLORED UMBRELLAS—All silk covers, in plain green, red, maroon and navy; natural wood handles, plain and carved; silk case and tassel. Special Values at 3.00, 4.00 and \$5.00.

\$4.00 AND \$5.00—26 and 28 inch Umbrellas, beautiful all silk covers, with silk cord and tassel. Paragon frame; plain, natural wood, carved; gold, silver and pearl trimmed.

FOLDING UMBRELLAS at \$4 each. We are showing a choice assortment of new Folding Suit Case Umbrellas, with interchangeable handles. Two handles to each Umbrella. All are packed in neat box especially for gift purposes.

MEN'S UMBRELLAS—In a choice assortment of new and novel handles, including the large crook so popular just. Almost any style cover you may desire, in silk, silk and wool, silk and linen or fast black rain-proof cotton, 1.00 to \$5.00.

LITTLE GEM—A man's Folding Umbrella, suit case size, guaranteed silk cover, natural wood handle. Special at \$3.25.



If Price is an Object

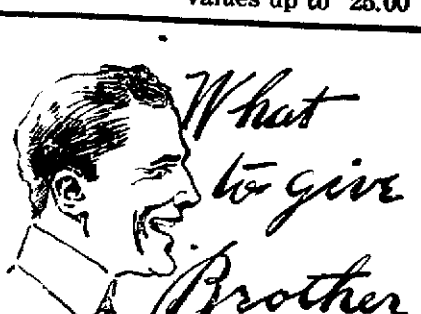
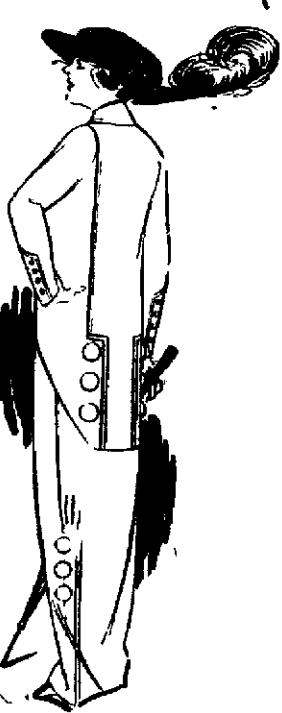
Garment Customers Will Come in Drove For These

BIG COAT REDUCTIONS

\$12.50 Women's Coats,	
Reduced to \$ 7.95	
15.00 Women's Coats,	
Reduced to 9.95	
17.50 Women's Coats,	
Reduced to 12.95	
22.50 Women's Coats,	
Reduced to 14.95	
30.00 Women's Coats,	
Reduced to 19.95	

TAILORED SUIT REDUCTIONS

\$ 6.95 for choice of Suit values up to \$10.00	
9.95 for choice of Suit values up to 15.00	
12.95 for choice of Suit values up to 18.00	
14.95 for choice of Suit values up to 20.00	
19.95 for choice of Suit values up to 25.00	



A. W. LEONARDSON CO., 229-231 MARKET STREET

OUR SAVINGS DEPT.

Is a Cheerful, Busy Place these days cashing Christmas Club Checks, receiving DEPOSITS OUT OF CHRISTMAS CLUB CHECK, receiving FIRST DEPOSIT UPON 1914 CLUB ACCOUNTS, etc. If you haven't a SAVINGS ACCOUNT this is a good time to "start something," and start it here.

Clearfield National Bank

"The Bank of Service"

INVESTIGATE CHARGES IN CANAL CONTRACTS

Commissary Manager Accused of Getting Commissions.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Charges of irregularity in dealings between John Burke, commissary manager for the Panama canal work, and contractors who have been furnishing supplies are being investigated by the government. So far as the investigation has gone no loss to the government has been discovered, and the amount of money involved has not been determined. Broadly the department is investigating to determine whether he has received commissions from contractors. "So far as the investigation has gone it appears that there has been no loss to the government," said Major F. C. Boggs, the general purchasing officer of the Panama canal commission. Major Boggs is conferring with legal officers of the war department and the isthmian canal commission regarding the next step to be taken. Burke is somewhere in the United States on a sixty days' leave of absence from his post on the isthmus and is still on the government payroll. At the commission's offices it was stated that as the investigation into the charges against Burke is still in progress, to disclose the government's purposes at this stage might defeat its objects.

Hold Ohio at Guantanamo.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Orders were issued by the navy department holding the battleship Ohio at Guantanamo, Cuba, until all danger of a smallpox epidemic aboard is averted. The reports said that only two cases had developed so far.

GROCERY SPECIALTIES

Williamsport Sausage
Boiled Tongue, sliced while you wait.
Air Dried Beef, " " " "
Jelly Tongue, " " " "
Jelly Tripe, " " " "
Corned Beef, " " " "

A good line of home made pies doughnuts, salads, etc.

Try a loaf of Mrs. Kerin's home made bread

R. C. Shaw Grocery Co.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

The hotels in Cleveland are crippled by the strike of union waiters.

Two negroes were lynched near Shreveport, La. after confessing a murder.

James A. Smith postmaster at Cameron Mills, N. Y., who committed suicide, was shot Dec. 18.

President Wilson pardoned Dr. William J. Marion who served a jail term with John H. Watson.

A boycott in Kansas City reduced store sales from 40 to 30 and 31 cents a dozen fresh to 26 and 29.

The charges of political corruption against Representative Whaley of South Carolina were dismissed.

William Wasmers and Paul Wade of Kansas City were killed while thawing 200 pounds of dynamite over a fire.

Clara Culbertson sentenced to life for murdering three persons, was taken from jail and landed at Williston, N. D.

Armed guards will prevent Mrs. C. E. Coine from taking possession of a mansion of her supposed father, Colonel Wardell G. Robinson of Oswego, N. Y.

Motorboats to Save Flood Victims. Galveston, Tex., Dec. 16.—A fleet of motorboats started out for Liverpool, Tex., in a desperate effort to rescue 300 men, women and children cut off by flood waters there. Word received said that if help did not reach the marooned flood victims at once they would perish.

The County National Bank

OF CLEARFIELD, PA.

The Oldest Bank in Clearfield County

Capital, Surplus and Profits, \$1,065,000
Total Resources 4,000,000

Commercial Accounts

The commercial accounts of business men are especially welcomed by this bank.

The amount of its invested capital and the extent of its total resources have enabled it in the past to meet the needs of its depositors and insure its ability to do so for the future.

The officers will appreciate an opportunity to discuss your banking needs with you.

THE THRIFTY MAN IS ALWAYS AHEAD

HE is not absolutely dependent upon his pay envelope. He has money put away and when a chance to make some money by a timely purchase turns up, he is ready for it.

BE THRIFTY—Dollars are slippery things, they go through one's fingers before he knows it. The sure way is to open an account with us and the dollars are in a safe place and will not tempt you to spend them.

Clearfield Trust Company

MRS. PANKHURST FREE AGAIN

Released From Jail In State of Collapse—Will Go to Switzerland.

London, Dec. 18.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the militant suffragette leader, was again released from Holloway Jail. She had been imprisoned on this occasion only since Saturday, when she was arrested while on her way from Paris to London.

Mrs. Pankhurst was in a state of collapse the result of a "hunger and thirst strike," and was taken in an ambulance to the militants' headquarters, where a doctor was in waiting. As soon as she is able to travel she will go to Switzerland to recuperate.

Useful and Appropriate XMAS GIFTS

-AT-

A. D. GOULD'S

Shoes, Rubbers, Slippers for Father, Mother, Brother or Sister.

Traveling Bags and Suit Cases from 98c to \$15.00.

Shirts, Pajamas, Underwear, Ties, Hose, Gloves, Suspenders, Mittens, Umbrellas, Handkerchiefs, Fancy Tie and Handkerchief Box.

Cuff Links, Tie Pins, Tie Claps, Coat and Vest Chains.

Hundreds of other useful articles.

All Purchases Exchangeable After Christmas

A. D. GOULD
MARKET STREET

Opp. Court House, Clearfield

Xmas Presents For Men and Boys

Useful presents bought at Flegal's are easy to select and make Men and Boys happy. Suits, Overcoats, Rain Coats, Sweater Coats, Machine Coats, House Coats, Bath Robes, Shirts, Neckwear, Hats, Caps, Gloves, Suspenders, Umbrellas, Handkerchiefs, Etc. Special Xmas Boxes of Initial Handkerchiefs, Suspenders, Arm Bands, and Garters, Ties, Etc.

H. J. FLEGAL, Second Street

Do it now; don't delay, Send your Dry Cleaning in to-day, RING 104 H. & C. 'phone, Our car always calls when told; YES; we are equipped to do more work of this kind Than all others in Clearfield combined.

CONDUCTED in a strictly sanitary manner, That's why our work carries the banner, LADIES' garments we especially desire, In fact all ladies our work admire; EXPENSIVE lingerie handled with care, Always returned without rip or tear; AND in men's suits we make them look nifty, We dry clean and press them for only one dollar; NEXT time let us hear from you, People we do not please are few; IN fact our work so many please, Our number of patrons each day increases; NOW, dear friends, if you are wise, You will do as we advise; GET the habit like others do, And the Clearfield Dry Cleaning Company will take care of you.

CLEARFIELD DRY CLEANING COMPANY
Market Street, Opposite Postoffice

Parcel Post Packages Promptly Attended to. L. C. BARRETT, J. F. HASTINGS, Managers

SEE THE BEAUTIFUL NATURE DISPLAY IN WINDOW

...Robinson & Company...

Annual Christmas Sale of Men's, Women's and Children's CLOTHING, SHOES AND FURNISHINGS

Has Started and will Continue during the Entire Month of December.

At the psychological moment, at the most opportune time that this could possibly appear, just as you are in the midst of your Autumn and Winter shopping we offer you our most remarkable and attractive stock of seasonable merchandise at these extremely low sale prices. This is the sale that you eagerly await.

Let Nothing Keep You Away

Everything in the store marked in plain figures at sale prices.

ROBINSON & COMPANY NEXT TO WINDSOR HOTEL CLEARFIELD, PENN'A.

The Only Absolutely Safe Way

OF LIGHTING THE CHRISTMAS TREE IS ELECTRICALLY

A complete 8 light outfit only \$2.00. See our window for a demonstration of the new Bird, Animal and Fruit Lamps. We have them in Lions, Cats, Dogs, Roses, Lillies, Peaches, Pears, Strawberries, Chickens, Owls, Canary Birds, Etc. One string lasts for years.

Pocket Knives
25c to \$3

Scissors and Shears

Fountain Pens
\$1.50 to \$6

Opposite Witmer Inn

HARDER'S GUN WORKS

Clearfield, Penn'a

The Automobile Owner

WOULD APPRECIATE A MOTOR TIRE PUMP

It will save him a lot of Hard, Hot Work next Summer. Or an ELECTRIC HORN. He has been wanting one for a long time.

Pocket Cigar Lighters and Smoker's Sets 25c to \$3

Flash Lights
\$1 to \$2.25

Razors 25c to \$5

Air Guns 75c to \$2.50

Pop Guns 25c and 50c

Revolvers \$3 to \$15

Field Glasses \$6 to \$10

Electric Coffee Percolator

The Finest Line of DINING ROOM DOMES at extremely low prices. We have something special to show you in these

THE DIRECTORS IN CONVENTION

Managers of Public Schools
Meet in Courthouse

DISCUSS MANY PROBLEMS.

Selection of Officers Results in Return of Last Year's Incumbents—Delegates Chosen to State Convention—Judge Bell Takes Prominent Part in Debates.

The eleventh annual session of the Clearfield County School Directors' association opened in the court house Wednesday morning, and after the delegates had been enrolled and the president had delivered his address the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—J. A. Beals; reelected. Vice presidents—William Wingert, and H. C. Conner.

Secretary—A. G. Kramer; reelected.

Treasurer—George G. Weber, reelected.

J. Frank Rowles, A. G. Kramer, and H. C. Conner were elected delegates to the State association convention. Alternates: D. P. Michaels, Frank Bilger and H. G. Dressler.

W. P. Thorpe was chosen auditor, to audit the accounts of the county institute.

Afternoon Session.

At the afternoon session President Beals appointed the following members of the resolution committee: Walker Stewart, B. K. Rowland, T. M. Davidson and Hon. Singleton Bell.

The question, "Should the tenth consecutive employment in a district be a permanent employment in said district?" was discussed by A. G. Kramer, T. M. Davidson, Julius Viebaum, Judge Bell, and President Beals. It was agreed that the committee on resolutions present the question to the state convention.

"Should the medical inspection in the third and fourth class districts be compulsory, same as it is in the first and second class districts?" was discussed by Dr. Rowles, Dr. Bryan, A. J. Beals, William W. Wingert, Julius Viebaum and others.

Defective Children.

"Should the parents of children found defective by the medical inspector be required by law to make an effort to cure or relieve such defect. In case of inability of parents to do so, should the district be authorized to do so at public expense?" This important question was discussed pro and con by President Beals, Dr. Rowles, Judge Bell and others.

"Should the minimum salary of teachers be increased, and if so to what amount, and should increase be paid by the state out of the appropriation?" was discussed by Perry Straw, Judge Bell and others.

The questions discussed this morning were: "Would it be more beneficial to the teachers and to the school to have the institute held at or about the commencement of the school term?" "The parents' responsibility to the school board in the enforcement of the compulsory school law." "Should the directors receive a compensation of \$2 per day for 12 monthly meetings during the year?"

The rest of the morning session was taken up with reports of various kinds. There were about 100 directors present today.

DENIES STATEMENTS

T. W. Vokes Says There is Strike at Rolling Mill.

T. W. Vokes has asked the Progress to state that there is a strike on at the rolling mill; that the men who are on strike were not told to quit; that these men were not working for \$1.75 a day, but for \$1.90, and asked for \$2.50; that these men worked in the old mill and are men unskilled; that the company tried to get men from Williamsport but when these came to Clearfield they found there was trouble and returned; that the strikers were willing to compromise, but that the company would have nothing to do with them.

Mr. Vokes is a coal digger in the mine which furnishes the mill with coal.

Gift boxes of finest chocolates, all sizes from half pound to five pound at Mrs. Cuneo's.

STATE CHAIRMAN HERE

Head of Washington Party on Way to DuBois.

A. Nevin Detrick state chairman of the Washington party, was in town today on his way to DuBois, where he will meet chairman of Clearfield, Center, Indiana, Jefferson, Clarion, Elk, Cameron and McKean counties to organize these counties into a group, with a chairman who, with the workers of the various counties, will thoroughly organize the Washington party and prepare for the spring primaries, at which state and county committeemen will be chosen by popular vote.

Chairman Detrick states that he has met with great success in organizing groups in other counties; that he finds the Washington party in good shape, and that the prospects of the party's success in the gubernatorial and senatorial elections next year are most excellent.

DINNER AND DANCE

Manager Sheldon Preparing for Fine Time New Year's Night.

Manager Sheldon, of the Dimeling, is fast completing arrangements for the dinner and dance he will give in his hostelry on New Year's night. Those who know Mr. Sheldon, and he is known from Kalamazoo to Mehoopany, know that he will give his guests a rare treat on this occasion.

Klittering's orchestra, of Greensburg, will provide the music for the dance. Tables can be reserved by applying to the hotel office.

ANNUAL REUNION

Banquet and Dance of Lock Haven Normal Alumni.

Tonight, at the Dimeling, the annual reunion and banquet of the Lock Haven Normal school alumni will be held. All alumni and students of the school are invited to attend. Tickets can be had by applying to the committee or at the hotel office.

C. A. Weisgerber, of Winburne, is president of the alumni and the committee of arrangements is comprised of H. L. Kriner, chairman; D. A. Yingling, and B. A. Barnett.

President Weisgerber will be toastmaster at the banquet, which will begin at 6 o'clock. The dance will open at 10 o'clock. The Gullch orchestra will furnish the music.

CLEARFIELD IN IT

Suits to be Brought Against Packing Firms.

Dairy and Food Commissioner James Foust says that he had arranged to institute suits in Centre, Venango and Clearfield counties against packing firms on the charge of violating the cold storage law in shipping to this state meats and products from cold storage which are placed in so-called cooling rooms. This will start a test of the cold storage law.

KEELER'S LAST HOPE IS GONE

Refused a Rehearing by the Board of Pardons

At the session of the board of pardons at Harrisburg, Wednesday night the case of John O. Keeler, of Clearfield, convicted of murdering Joseph Roessner, was presented.

The board refused to grant a rehearing for Keeler.

Keeler must, therefore, be hanged on January 15.

Birthday Party.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Flegal, on Ogden avenue, there was held a birthday party in honor of Mrs. Flegal's 52nd birthday anniversary. The surprise was planned by her daughter and son and was a success. A large number of friends were present and fine refreshments were served. The guests returned to their homes wishing Mrs. Flegal many returns of the day.

Go to Mrs. Cuneo's for fresh candies from 10c a lb to 60c.

Home-made Taffy at 15c lb. at Mrs. Cuneo's.

Grapefruits, tangerines, Florida sweets, small size, 20c a dozen, at Mrs. Cuneo's.

TEACHERS BEING ABLY TAUGHT

Instructors Continue to Give Satisfaction

SET PEDAGOGUES THINKING.

Dr. Hulley, Dr. Winship and Dr. Diffenbaugh Bring Forth Many New Ideas in Educational Work Which Will be of Benefit to Teachers and Pupils of the County Schools.

When the county institute opened Wednesday afternoon H. G. Gress, gave a report of the local institutes held in various parts of the county in the past year.

Dr. Diffenbaugh then addressed the teachers, beginning his remarks by declaring:

"If I were again teaching country school" he said, he would give his pupils a broader and deeper knowledge by supplementing the text book. He would eliminate the non-essentials. "Acquaint the youngsters with nature by taking frequent hikes and by making numerous experiments introduce problems which relate to country life." and last but not least, he would make his school room more attractive.

"The Personal Element."

"The Personal Element" was the theme discussed by Dr. Winship. He said:

"Personality is heaven born, but you can develop it. It is eternal. It is the requisite of every successful teacher. Better study under a great personality than a person possessing only great knowledge. 'Dominate, but do not dominate.'"

By numerous illustrations he showed how this was possible in all phases of life, but specially urged the teacher to be cautious and dominate the boys in school as she would the boys out of school.

"Riley and the Home Folks"

Dr. Hulley entertained a packed house yesterday afternoon with some of Whitcomb Riley's "catchy poems, poems which touch common every day life. "At the Literary," "Old John Henry", etc.

He dwelt on Riley's genial Irish humor, also his great sympathy for his fellow man. He never makes fun of human weaknesses, but shows great tenderness for folks less fortunate than himself, a fact Dr. Hulley advised all to consider well.

The lecture of Dr. John Merritt Driver, in the opera house last evening, was listened to with great attention, although some of his remarks were not liked by some of the people who heard them. The Dr. spoke on "America Facing the East", a topic of much interest just at this time.

Thursday Morning.

This morning Prof. Zaner talked on "Penmanship." He told the teachers not to have any particular system or style in mind in writing. The typewriter has set a standard and necessitates better writers. Teach penmanship with the same interest you would any other subject. Essentials—Be interested in the subject. Be efficient yourself. Train the young one at the blackboard. Exact best writing from older pupils.

Professor Zaner spent the last part of his period helping the teachers solve some of their difficulties—such as dealing with left-handed pupils.

"Child Study."

Dr. Hulley discussed "Child Study and Child Training," advising the teacher to make a scientific study of the child. No amount of theoretical study will take the place of the actual conditions in your own school room. Train the imagination. Remember the fears of the child—they are real to him. Fear isn't necessarily cowardice. Remember the sorrows of children. A big heart is the greatest qualification of a teacher.

Dr. Winship told the teachers to be on the firing line. Put edge on education. He suggested contests with prizes, saying that he believed the bankers and business men of Clearfield would pay for prizes. Organize the play of children. There is great educational value in knowing how to play.

Grapefruits, tangerines, Florida sweets, small size, 20c a dozen, at Mrs. Cuneo's.

GOING HIGHER

Fred Bartles, Formerly of Clearfield, Receives Promotion.

On the first of December Fred R. Bartles, formerly of this place, was promoted from train master on the Northern Pacific to superintendent of the Fargo division, which division extends from Fargo to Bismark, covering a distance of 200 miles. This change has caused the family to move from Pasco, Wash., to Fargo, North Dakota, where they will now reside. Mr. Bartles, after graduating at Lehigh in 1901, became connected with the N. Y. C. and constructed, in a measure, the West Branch Valley road, after which he was appointed assistant to the government engineer, John F. Stevens, in the construction of the Panama canal, where he was employed during the years 1905 and 1906, and it was through Mr. Stevens that he became connected with the Northern Pacific road in 1907, where he was promoted from supervisor to trainmaster in 1910 for the western division, extending from Pasco to Seattle, Wash.

His services to the company were recognized. Although among the youngest men of the company he was tendered the private car job, which position commands a salary of \$5000 yearly. His oldest daughter, Virginia, was born on Bridge street, Clearfield, on the 27th of July, 1904, hence was christened the "Centennial Girl", the 100th anniversary of Clearfield county being celebrated at that time. The family is moving this week from Pasco to Fargo, at which place they formerly resided and which is 2,500 mile nearer Clearfield than Pasco.

ENDS LIFE BEFORE WEDDING.

Farmer Dresses as if For Ceremony and Shoots Himself.

York, Pa., Dec. 18.—David Hinkle, nineteen years old, who was to be married on Christmas day to Miss Jessie Warner, of near Jefferson, committed suicide by shooting himself in the heart. He has been paying attention to several girls lately, but selected Miss Warner as his bride. The bride to be had bought her wedding gown, and all arrangements had been made to have a wedding on Christmas day.

Hinkle was engaged in farming, and he spent the day before at work in the field. Returning home he carefully prepared his toilet, put on the new suit of clothes in which he was to be married and, going to an upstairs room, sent a bullet through his heart.

Beau Brummel's Dress.

Evidently we must not believe all that we have read of Beau Brummel. There were stories that he appeared in "a dove colored coat and white satin breeches," that it took two artists to make his gloves, a special expert being assigned to the thumbs, and that he had three hinders who specialized, so to speak, on the different parts of his head. All these stories, it seems, are fiction, according to Leon H. Vincent's "Familiars and Men of Letters."

"Simplicity and unobtrusive elegance were his ideals. To attract notice by conspicuousness in dress was in his opinion the most mortifying experience that a gentleman could have. Byron told Leigh Hunt that there was nothing remarkable in Brummel's dress except a certain exquisite propriety. From which it may be inferred that his reforms were of a sensible sort."

Applying the Lesson.

Teacher—Have you looked up the meaning of the word Imbibe, Fanny? Fanny—Yes, ma'am. Teacher—Well, what does it mean? Fanny—To take in. Teacher—Yes. Now give a sentence using the word. Fanny—My aunt imbibe boards. — Philadelphia Ledger.

January Woman's Home Companion.

One of the most interesting contributions to the January Woman's Home Companion is an article by Ralph Waldo Trine entitled "Actualizing One's Ideals" in which the author makes many helpful suggestions which the individual reader can apply in the conduct of his own life.

Other notable articles in the January Companion are: "Finding Happiness in Witter's Garden," by Frank A. Waugh; "The Coming of the Kewpies," by Rose O'Neill; "The World's Greatest Paintings," by Laura Spencer Porlier; and "Importance of Good Health," by Dr. S. Josephine Baker.

Ploton is contributed by Margaret Deland, Mary Heaton Vorrie, Mary Hastings Bradley, Nelly Elliot Seawell, Juliet Wilbur Tompkins and Zona Gale.

Unusual provision is made for the enjoyment of children. The regular Cooking, Housekeeping and Fashion departments are crowded with interesting, practical, ideas and entertaining reading.

SAY MISSING GIRL IS NOW IN CHICAGO

Doctor and Woman Assert She Called on Them.

IDENTIFY HER PHOTOGRAPHS

In Meantime Detectives Continue Search on Long Island—Family Adverse to More Publicity, and Father States He Can See No Mystery in Daughter's Disappearance.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Miss Jessie McCann, the missing social worker of New York city, is in Chicago, according to information in the possession of Detective Sergeant W. J. Dillon, who is at work on the case here.

Mrs. Mary Fisher, who lives at 1814 Wabash avenue, identified the photographs of Miss McCann as being those of a young woman who called upon her a week ago and desired to rent a room.

"She told me that she had married a man without her parents' consent," said Mrs. Fisher, "and that she desired a room that she could call her own while she underwent an operation for appendicitis."

Dr. G. A. Remington of 2208 Wabash avenue also partly identified the photographs of Miss McCann as being those of a young woman who called upon him on Dec. 9 for a consultation.

Family Adverse to Publicity.

New York, Dec. 18.—Robert G. McCann, father of the missing girl, is now adverse to publicity regarding his daughter's disappearance. Last week the McCann family thanked the press for the photographs and descriptions of the young woman which were published.

Now it is said at the McCann home that in the future the family would have nothing to say.

"I can't understand why the newspapers dwell on the idea that Jessie's going away is a mystery," said Mr. McCann. "I am her father, and I don't consider it a mystery. And as for bringing all these young men into the case, it is most unfair to my daughter and to them. The latest report that an elderly Wall street man is concerned in some way is too absurd to need a denial. I know, however, that the police are not interested in this fictitious person."

Detectives engaged in the search for Miss McCann are puzzled to explain Mr. McCann's statement that the disappearance of his daughter is not a mystery to him.

Letters, telegrams and anonymous postcards continue to pour into the McCann home in undiminished volume. The McCann family have engaged more detectives from a private detective agency, while arrangements were completed to distribute reels of films showing Miss McCann in various poses to the 6,000 theaters throughout the United States.

Detectives at Good Ground, Amityville and Babylon in Long island continued their search running down promising clues.

PANIC FOLLOWS COLLISION OF SHIPS

Tennessee, With 150 Passengers, In Crash.

New York, Dec. 18.—One hundred and fifty passengers, forty of them women, on board the steamboat Tennessee, were in a state of panic for hours after the boat had been in a collision with a four masted schooner in the sound. The Tennessee, with twenty feet of her port rail torn away, several staterooms stove in and the pilot house smashed, was towed back to her pier by the tug Norwalk.

None of the passengers was hurt. This was due chiefly to the effort of the crew of forty-five and to twenty-five sailors of the battleship fleet who were aboard and helped to maintain order.

The schooner was the four master Mattie Bassett. The crash occurred off Execution light, at the western entrance to the sound, an hour and a half after the Tennessee had left her pier for Providence. The schooner after the collision continued on her way to Hempstead bay, apparently not damaged below the water line.

On board the Tennessee were the passengers and a crew of forty-five in command of Captain George D. Enos. The larger number of the passengers were in the dining saloon at the time of the accident.

Policemen Can't Chew Gum.

Boston, Dec. 18.—Boston police officers must not chew gum or tobacco while on duty, according to the new rules of the department which Commissioner O'Brien issued.

A SPLENDID SERMON

Dr. E. C. Reeve Highly Complimented by a Parishioner.

The sermon preached in the First Presbyterian church last Sunday by Rev. E. C. Reeve was one of the most eloquent discourses it has ever been the writer's privilege to listen to. The rapid attention of the large congregation was one of breathless interest from the first words until the peroration.

One who stood facing the audience said: "Every eye directed on him and no one seemed to miss one word." Clearfield should be proud, and especially the congregation of the Presbyterian church, to have among us one who can hold an audience as Dr. Reeve did his hearers, and with his splendid talent, which is gaining every Sabbath, we should feel honored that we are able to keep him with us. No wonder Washington called him.

Dr. Reeve's chief topic on Sunday was "Temperance" and the report of the workers and work done at the convention of the Anti-Saloon league at Columbus.

A LISTENER.

MRS. MARTHA STILES.

Former Clearfield Woman Dies in Altoona Hospital.

At the Altoona hospital Tuesday morning, Mrs. Martha Stiles, wife of J. C. Stiles of 1414 Tenth street, Altoona, died of chronic nephritis and cerebral hemorrhages. She was aged 44 years, being born in Centre county, July 16, 1869, and in 1906 was united in marriage to J. C. Stiles who survives with three sisters—Mrs. A. E. Rittenhouse, of Lewisburg; Mrs. George Shunkwiler of Clearfield, and Mrs. A. Flegal, of Blue Ball. One brother, residing near Olean, N. Y., also survives, as does her mother, Mrs. Martha De Armit, of Clearfield. She attended the First Methodist Episcopal church of Altoona. The remains will be taken to Blue Ball, Friday morning. Funeral services will be held at the church at that place, followed by interment in the cemetery adjoining.

GRAMPIAN.

The Friends Sunday School will hold their Christmas exercises at Gramplan on Sunday, December 21, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Mrs. Miller, of Gramplan, spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Wall.

We hope that every R.F.D. carrier in the county will arrange to meet in DuBois to aid in organizing the county, as it's our duty to support the state and national organizations.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wriglesworth visited Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Seyler, in Luthersburg, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Wall visited Mr. and Mrs. John Hally on Sunday.

Miss Lida Spencer and Fred Freeman were married at the parsonage at Lumber City, by Rev. Hegenfritz, at 8 o'clock Thursday last.

W. J. McGovern, formerly of this place, but who is employed in the lumber business in West Virginia for a number of years past, is spending a few weeks here visiting.

Miss Nadine Rowles is very ill at this writing.

Sheridan McKeown's have moved from Gramplan to the Cassidy place, recently occupied by Lester Caldwell who has moved to Kermoor.

Misses Roxy L. Carr and Ines Spencer were shopping in Curwensville on Monday.

Mrs. H. B. Clary and Mrs. H. J. Russel were shopping in Clearfield Monday afternoon.

Christmas services will be held in the M. E. church on Christmas Eve, December 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Cheyven were in Clearfield Monday morning.

TEACHER A BRIDE

Pretty Wedding Takes Place at Mahaffey on Saturday.

On Saturday last, at the home of Rev. Frank, at Mahaffey, Miss Virginia Wilson, one of Burnside township's most efficient school teachers, and William Stauffer, of Burnside, were united in wedlock. After spending their honeymoon with the groom's sister at Brockwayville the young people returned to Burnside.

The bride will finish her term of school and in the spring they will go to housekeeping in Burnside, where the groom has a profitable position.

Puddlers wanted. Pittsburgh, Byers Mill going on full. Puddling \$7.50 per ton. No trouble. 106 21.

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Good evening! If you have not already bought your Christmas presents it will be advisable for you to get a move on.

ALWAYS INTERESTED.

One of the most interested visitors to the county institute this week is Prof. B. C. Youngman, who for so many years was connected with educational affairs in Clearfield county. Prof. Youngman never fails to get in touch with those who have control of the public schools or with educators who are making an effort to increase the facilities afforded the young people of today to gain an education.

Clearfield citizens took upon Prof. Youngman as one of their most highly honored residents. Since his retirement he has never failed to give his attention to educational matters, and the annual institute is an object of much interest to him, especially when he compares the methods of teaching today with those in vogue when he was head of the educational department of the county.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING.

Clearfield county residents know that they can buy at advantageously in the stores of Clearfield town as anywhere else in the state. Most of the people who can conveniently do so deal in Clearfield. At present the Christmas rush is on, and the stores in this town are crowded while they are open with innumerable shoppers, intent upon getting the right kind of gifts for Christmas.

Clearfield merchants prepared for a busy time before Christmas this year. The stores here are stocked with every variety of goods and articles to tempt the purchaser, and the prices are right. It is a finicky person who cannot find in the stores of Clearfield anything and everything that is needed to complete the list of Christmas gifts which the people desire to buy for Christmas offerings.

The railroads which enter this town and which do a business worth while with citizens should show their appreciation of the people's patronage by giving Clearfield better passenger service than the town now has.

Make the poor child's Christmas a happy one.

NEW BOARD OF HEALTH.

Clearfield is a healthy town. The people here are free from the peril of serious disease, due to the care which former local boards of health have taken to prevent disease-breeding filth to remain in the streets and alleys. There is still some work to do before Clearfield can boast of being the healthiest town in the state, but as a whole the town can boast of the excellent health of its citizens.

With an active health officer, one who will attend to his duties at all times and who will be watchful that none of the laws of health are violated, either deliberately or unintentionally, there is no reason why Clearfield people should not remain immune from the peril of dangerous contagious diseases such as have prevailed in some of the towns in other sections of the West Branch valley.

The retiring board of health surrenders office with the knowledge that its members acted with the best possible judgement in dealing with the problems which confronted them. The new board can rest assured that

in their efforts to keep Clearfield to the front in the list of healthy towns they will have the assistance of the citizens generally.

We are pleased to see that only a few of the young men who teach school in Clearfield county smoke cigarettes. Cigarettes and brains do not make good bed fellows.

It is your own dog that you will have to take care of; your neighbor will have to attend to his own.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Davis Middleton, of Philipsburg, is spending the week in Clearfield with her sister, Mrs. R. E. Shaw, who is seriously ill.

Miss Ella Richards and friend, of Glen Richey, were shopping in Clearfield Wednesday.

Mrs. B. Jury has returned to her home in DuBois, after spending several days at the home of R. E. Shaw, on West Front street.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Cox, of Glen Richey, were Clearfield visitors on Wednesday.

Mrs. J. C. Wise and daughter, Mary and son, Henry, of Ansonville, attended institute Wednesday.

Mrs. Lillie Litz and daughter, Anna Be', were Christmas shoppers Wednesday.

Mrs. Cyrus Wilson, of Woodland, is the guest of Mrs. J. Simmers, of Williams street.

Miss Anna Cushman and Miss Esther Miles, two well known teachers of Ramey, are in attendance at institute.

Miss Mada Shaw, of the Progress force, is visiting friends in Tyrone.

Mrs. Andrew McQuown, of Mahaffey, was registered at the Dimeling yesterday.

Miss Katherine Shugert and Miss Anna Ball, of Morrisdale, were guests at the Dimeling yesterday.

Dallas E. Guppy had business in DuBois this week.

Frank E. Watie, of DuBois, was in Clearfield this week, on business connected with the United Mine Workers of America.

W. A. Hagerty Esq., had legal business in DuBois this week.

Prof. J. S. F. Rathrauff, of Philipsburg, is attending the county institute in Clearfield.

Dr. H. G. Jones and wife, of Kylertown, attended the county institute yesterday.

School Over Mine Collapse. Scranton, Pa., Dec. 16.—Public school building No. 17, which was closed two weeks ago on account of weakness caused by cave-ins of nearby coal mines, collapsed.

Great Poets and a Little Girl. James Russell Lowell used to walk along the gravel paths of his beautiful garden in Cambridge, Mass., hand in hand with a bright little girl, who was his neighbor, and discoursed with her upon fairies, paper dolls, roses and other important subjects. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, a neighbor of Lowell's and of the little girl's, who wore a velvet coat and a big tie, was also her intimate friend. He used to tell her wonderful stories of ancient heroes and many other marvelous things. It was natural that the little girl should resolve even then to become a writer, and first of all a poet, for it was as a poet that the novelist, Eleanor Halliwell Abbott, first achieved recognition.—Century.

Quick Decision. "My gas meter is out of whack." "What's the matter with it?" "It lies. It doesn't register correctly." "That's what they all say." "But it doesn't register half the gas we use." "Then it's lying on the wrong side! We'll send a man right out."—Houston Post.

Out of Danger. Pat, the hodgecarrier (to the carpenter, who is vigorously sucking his thumb, cursing at the same time)—Don't you know how to drive a nail yet without smashin' yer finger? Carpenter—No, you blamed fool, and neither do you. Pat—Sure, I do. Hold the hammer in both hands.—New York American.

A Bibliophile's Reply. Mandell Creighton, who was bishop of London, had a horror of lending his favorite books. A fellow clergyman once visited the bishop and took a fancy to an old edition of Shakespeare. He borrowed the volume and did not think to return it for several months. Finally the minister returned it with a letter, saying, "My Dear Bishop—I have great pleasure in returning the volume you lent me." The bishop answered, "My Dear Brother—All the joy is mine."

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Blankets and Haps

All new merchandise received this fall.
All wool blankets, \$5.00.
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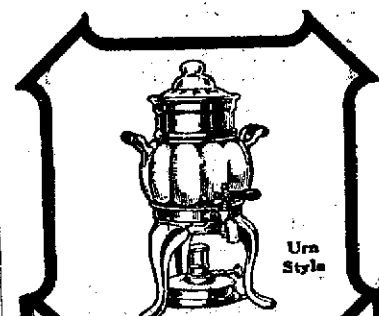
100 piece dinner sets \$16 up.
Toilet sets, \$4.50 to \$12.00.
Roasters \$1.25 to \$2.50.
(Seamless enamel ware)
Glass Lamps 25c to 75c.
Fancy lamps, \$2.50 to \$8.00.
Rayo lamps, \$1.75.
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Coffee boiled for any length of time in ordinary pots, or sprayed with boiling water, as in ordinary percolators, loses its fine aroma in steam. While good coffee can be made in ordinary coffee pot by experts, experts are rare.

The best coffee pot is the one which automatically completes the process before the water boils, and the "Universal" is the only one that fills this requirement.

This is the perfection of the drip process, circulating six to ten times as much water as any other percolator, consequently extracting a greater amount of the aromatic properties of the coffee.

Call at the store, see the percolators and ask for booklet describing them.

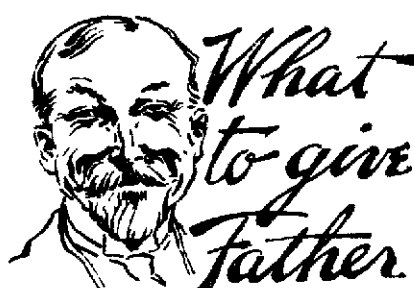
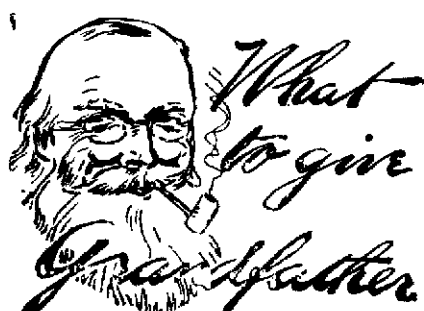
Wm. F. Powell,
23 S. Second Street.

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ROSS & WOODS

113-115 Market Street



What Better GIFTS Than These FOR CHRISTMAS

The usual worry of choosing a suitable gift need not arise this Christmas. A gift of some staple, dependable merchandise, or a Holiday novelty, of which this store is filled, will be appreciated every day in the year. As to scope of selection, price and values we pride ourselves. You'd be surprised at the many beautiful things we have for little money. **BEST HOLIDAY VALUES EVER OFFERED.**



X-mas Hosiery

For Every Member of the family

Men's Sox, Women's, Misses' and Children's Hose in Silk, Lisle and Cotton; put up in Xmas boxes—one, two and four pairs to the box.

Women's Black Silk Stockings, in fancy holiday boxes, 50c, 89c, \$1.00, 1.50, 2.00 and 2.25.

Women's Colored Silk Hose, in shades to match your suit or gown, \$1.00 a pair.

Women's Black Lisle Hose, 3 to box, \$1 a box. Women's Black Lisle Hose, 4 to box, \$1 a box.

Men's Colored Silk Sox, 25c and 50c a pair. Men's Black Silk Sox, 2 to box, \$1 a box. Men's Black Lisle Sox, 4 to box, \$1 a box.

Boys' and Girls' Black Cotton Hose, 4 to box, \$1. Infants' White Mercerized Hose, 4 to box, \$1.

Useful Gifts That Men Appreciate

A choosing of a gift for a man is not in itself a difficult task. To choose a gift that will please is the real consideration. Here are some suggestions that are sure to meet with approval:

Men's Silk Suspenders, in Xmas box	98c
Men's Cotton Suspenders, in X-mas box	25c
Men's Suspenders, in burnt wood box	50c
Men's Suspender Sets, in Xmas box	59c
Men's Kid Gloves, in Xmas box	1.50
Men's Silk Knit Ties, in Xmas box	1.00
Men's Silk Ties, plain and fancy colors	50c
Men's Hat Brushes	10c and 19c
Men's Military Brushes, a set	2.00 and 2.50
Men's Smoking Sets	1.98 to 3.98
Men's Pullman Slippers with case, a pair	1.00
Men's Tourist Cases	50c to 2.00
Men's Hair Brushes	50c to 1.00
Men's Clothes Brushes	50c
Men's Leather Cigar Cases	50c
Men's Leather Bill Books	25c to 1.25
Men's Leather Coin Purses	25c to 1.25
Men's Leather Tobacco Pouches	25c and 39c
Men's Linen Handkerchiefs	5c to 50c
Men's Umbrellas	1.00 to 5.00

Pretty Waists

in Christmas Boxes Make Excellent Gifts

What could be more practical or more appreciated than a neat, pretty waist for a Christmas gift—one made of fine sheer Voile or dainty Crepe, with plenty of frills, drop shoulder, long sleeves? Well, these are the kind we are showing in our shirt waist section. The price range is wide enough and the styles varied enough to please all.



A Pair of All Wool Blankets

Would Make a Good Xmas Gift

Few people think of practicability when they buy Christmas gifts. A pair of good warm Woolen Blankets would be practical and serviceable—something they could use and enjoy and always keep. We have a very choice assortment at \$5.00 a pair. They come in a wide range of patterns—plain white with fancy colored borders, and plaids that are in pretty colors. We speak of this one price in particular, because of the great big assortment from which to make selections, and the extraordinary good values here represented.

Of course we have lower priced ones cotton at 59c to \$1.25. Also fine Australian Lambs' Wool Blankets that come one in a box, to sell up to as much as \$15.00 a pair.

For Gift Giving, Nothing Pleases More Than

Dainty Muslin Underwear

Wouldn't she be a happy girl to find on the table on Christmas morning a set of dainty Muslin Underwear from this new assortment we've just received in dainty gift boxes. They are practical and are really a sensible gift.

Corset Covers, 50c to 1.39 Gowns, 1.00 to 2.50
Skirts, 1.00 to 2.00 Drawers, 50c to 1.50
Princess Slips and Combinations, 1.00 to 3.50.

WOMEN'S BATH ROBES AT \$5.00

By express today comes some twenty-five Women's Eiderdown Bath Robes, with quilted satin color and cuffs and girdle. Colors are sky, rose, Copenhagen, navy, red and wisteria.

MESSALINE DRESSING SACQUES

What could possibly be more practical or more appreciated than one of these pretty Silk Dressing Sacques in a neat Xmas box. Special at \$2.95.



Linens Are Always Welcome

and new low prices on fancy and staple linen make them less expensive, or just a little nicer than for many years. When in doubt visit our Linen department

Special Xmas Prices on Table Linen by the Yard

90c All Linen Cream Damask, Xmas price, per yard	79c
90c " " Bleached " " " " " "	79c
\$1.00 " " " " " " " " " "	89c
1.25 " " Silver Bleached " " " " " "	\$1.00
1.75 " " Bleached " " " " " "	1.25
3.15 " " " " " " " " " "	2.75
2.00 " " " " " " " " " "	1.48

Bleached Napkins by the dozen to match, 50c to \$5.00	
H. S. Guest Towels, with monogram space,	19c
H. S. and Scalloped Guest Towels, 14x22	25c
H. S. and Embroidered Guest Towels	50c
H. S. Linen Huck Towels, with fancy borders and monogram space	25c to \$2.00 each
45x36 Embroidered Pillow Cases	25c each
45x36 Embroidered Pillow Cases, ready boxed	\$1.00 a pair
45x36 H. S. Linen Cases,	1.35 to \$2.75 a pair
45x36 Embroidered Linen Cases	4.00 and \$4.50 a pair
90x100 H. S. Linen Sheets	9.75 and \$12.50 a pair
7 and 12-inch Plate Doilies	50c up to 89c each
20-inch Cluny Edge Doilies,	50c up to \$2.00 each
Linen Torchon Lace Edge Centre Pieces,	50c to \$1.50
Battenberg Squares and Scarfs,	1.00 to \$2.50

Sensible Gifts

For

Practical People

Gift seekers will find plenty of interest in our Umbrella section. This season we are showing, aside from regular Umbrellas for men and women, a large assortment of the folding Suit Case Umbrellas, that are filling many gift wants, owing to the very moderate prices at which these much desired Umbrellas are now sold. At \$1 are the regular and "The India" in rain-proof covers, case and tassel, and a choice assortment of plain and carved natural wood handles, both men and women sizes.

"THE INDIA" Umbrellas, with silk and wool mixed and all silk covers; plain, natural wood and carved handles, 1.50 to \$5.00.

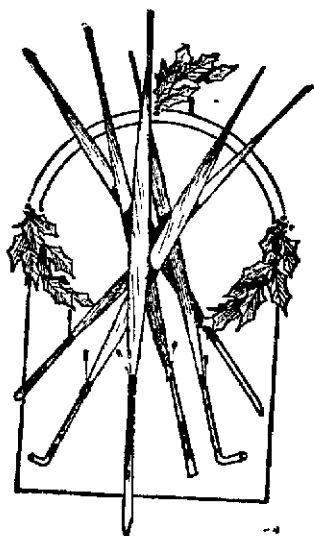
COLORED UMBRELLAS—All silk covers, in plain green, red, maroon and navy; natural wood handles, plain and carved; silk case and tassel. Special Values at 3.00, 4.00 and \$5.00.

\$4.00 AND \$5.00—26 and 28 inch Umbrellas, beautiful all silk covers, with silk cord and tassel. Paragon frame; plain, natural wood, carved; gold, silver and pearl trimmed.

FOLDING UMBRELLAS at \$4 each. We are showing a choice assortment of new Folding Suit Case Umbrellas, with interchangeable handles. Two handles to each Umbrella. All are packed in neat box especially for gift purposes.

MEN'S UMBRELLAS—In a choice assortment of new and novel handles, including the large crook so popular just. Almost any style cover you may desire, in silk, silk and wool, silk and linen or fast black rain-proof cotton, 1.00 to \$5.00.

LITTLE GEM—A man's Folding Umbrella, suit case size, guaranteed silk cover, natural wood handle. Special at \$3.25.



If Price is an Object

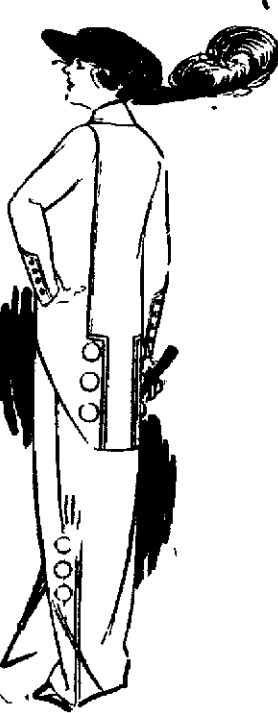
Garment Customers Will Come in Drove For These

BIG COAT REDUCTIONS

\$12.50 Women's Coats,	
Reduced to \$ 7.95	
15.00 Women's Coats,	
Reduced to 9.95	
17.50 Women's Coats,	
Reduced to 12.95	
22.50 Women's Coats,	
Reduced to 14.95	
30.00 Women's Coats,	
Reduced to 19.95	

TAILORED SUIT REDUCTIONS

\$ 6.95 for choice of Suit values up to \$10.00	
9.95 for choice of Suit values up to 15.00	
12.95 for choice of Suit values up to 18.00	
14.95 for choice of Suit values up to 20.00	
19.95 for choice of Suit values up to 25.00	



A. W. LEONARDSON CO., 229-231 MARKET STREET

OUR SAVINGS DEPT.

Is a Cheerful, Busy Place these days cashing Christmas Club Checks, receiving DEPOSITS OUT OF CHRISTMAS CLUB CHECK, receiving FIRST DEPOSIT UPON 1914 CLUB ACCOUNTS, etc. If you haven't a SAVINGS ACCOUNT this is a good time to "start something," and start it here.

Clearfield National Bank

"The Bank of Service"

INVESTIGATE CHARGES IN CANAL CONTRACTS

Commissary Manager Accused of Getting Commissions.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Charges of irregularity in dealings between John Burke, commissary manager for the Panama canal work, and contractors who have been furnishing supplies are being investigated by the government. So far as the investigation has gone no loss to the government has been discovered, and the amount of money involved has not been determined. Broadly the department is investigating to determine whether he has received commissions from contractors. "So far as the investigation has gone it appears that there has been no loss to the government," said Major F. C. Boggs, the general purchasing officer of the Panama canal commission. Major Boggs is conferring with legal officers of the war department and the isthmian canal commission regarding the next step to be taken. Burke is somewhere in the United States on a sixty days' leave of absence from his post on the isthmus and is still on the government payroll. At the commission's offices it was stated that as the investigation into the charges against Burke is still in progress, to disclose the government's purposes at this stage might defeat its objects.

Hold Ohio at Guantanamo.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Orders were issued by the navy department holding the battleship Ohio at Guantanamo, Cuba, until all danger of a smallpox epidemic aboard is averted. The reports said that only two cases had developed so far.

GROCERY SPECIALTIES

Williamsport Sausage
Boiled Tongue, sliced while you wait.
Air Dried Beef, " " " "
Jelly Tongue, " " " "
Jelly Tripe, " " " "
Corned Beef, " " " "

A good line of home made pies doughnuts, salads, etc.

Try a loaf of Mrs. Kerin's home made bread

R. C. Shaw Grocery Co.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

The hotels in Cleveland are crippled by the strike of union waiters.

Two negroes were lynched near Shreveport, La. after confessing a murder.

James A. Smith postmaster at Cameron Mills, N. Y., who committed suicide, was shot Dec. 18.

President Wilson pardoned Dr. William J. Marion who served a jail term with John H. White.

A boycott in Kansas City reduced store sales from 40 to 30 and 31 cents a dozen fresh to 26 and 29.

The charges of political corruption against Representative Whaley of South Carolina were dismissed.

William Wasmers and Paul Wade of Kansas City were killed while thawing 200 pounds of dynamite over a fire.

Clara Culbertson sentenced to life for murdering three persons, was taken from jail and landed at Williston, N. D.

Armed guards will prevent Mrs. C. E. Colne from taking possession of a mansion of her supposed father, Colonel Wardell G. Robinson of Oswego, N. Y.

Motorboats to Save Flood Victims. Galveston, Tex., Dec. 16.—A fleet of motorboats started out for Liverpool, Tex., in a desperate effort to rescue 300 men, women and children cut off by flood waters there. Word received said that if help did not reach the marooned flood victims at once they would perish.

The County National Bank

OF CLEARFIELD, PA.

The Oldest Bank in Clearfield County

Capital, Surplus and Profits, \$1,065,000
Total Resources 4,000,000

Commercial Accounts

The commercial accounts of business men are especially welcomed by this bank.

The amount of its invested capital and the extent of its total resources have enabled it in the past to meet the needs of its depositors and insure its ability to do so for the future.

The officers will appreciate an opportunity to discuss your banking needs with you.

THE THRIFTY MAN IS ALWAYS AHEAD

HE is not absolutely dependent upon his pay envelope. He has money put away and when a chance to make some money by a timely purchase turns up, he is ready for it.

BE THRIFTY—Dollars are slippery things, they go through ones fingers before he knows it. The sure way is to open an account with us and the dollars are in a safe place and will not tempt you to spend them.

Clearfield Trust Company

MRS. PANKHURST FREE AGAIN

Released From Jail In State of Collapse—Will Go to Switzerland.

London, Dec. 18.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the militant suffragette leader, was again released from Holloway Jail. She had been imprisoned on this occasion only since Saturday, when she was arrested while on her way from Paris to London.

Mrs. Pankhurst was in a state of collapse the result of a "hunger and thirst strike," and was taken in an ambulance to the militants' headquarters, where a doctor was in waiting. As soon as she is able to travel she will go to Switzerland to recuperate.

Useful and Appropriate XMAS GIFTS

-AT-

A. D. GOULD'S

Shoes, Rubbers, Slippers for Father, Mother, Brother or Sister.

Traveling Bags and Suit Cases from 98c to \$15.00.

Shirts, Pajamas, Underwear, Ties, Hose, Gloves, Suspenders, Mittens, Umbrellas, Handkerchiefs, Fancy Tie and Handkerchief Box.

Cuff Links, Tie Pins, Tie Claps, Coat and Vest Chains.

Hundreds of other useful articles.

All Purchases Exchangeable After Christmas

A. D. GOULD
MARKET STREET

Opp. Court House, Clearfield

Xmas Presents For Men and Boys

Useful presents bought at Flegal's are easy to select and make Men and Boys happy. Suits, Overcoats, Rain Coats, Sweater Coats, Machine Coats, House Coats, Bath Robes, Shirts, Neckwear, Hats, Caps, Gloves, Suspenders, Umbrellas, Handkerchiefs, Etc. Special Xmas Boxes of Initial Handkerchiefs, Suspenders, Arm Bands, and Garters, Ties, Etc.

H. J. FLEGAL, Second Street

Do it now; don't delay, Send your Dry Cleaning in to-day, RING 104 H. & C. 'phone, Our car always calls when told; YES; we are equipped to do more work of this kind Than all others in Clearfield combined.

CONDUCTED in a strictly sanitary manner, That's why our work carries the banner, LADIES' garments we especially desire, In fact all ladies our work admire;

EXPENSIVE lingerie handled with care, Always returned without rip or tear; AND in men's suits we make them look nifty, We dry clean and press them for only one dollar.

NEXT time let us hear from you, People we do not please are few; IN fact our work so many please, Our number of patrons each day increases;

NOW, dear friends, if you are wise, You will do as we advise; GET the habit like others do, And the Clearfield Dry Cleaning Company will take care of you.

CLEARFIELD DRY CLEANING COMPANY

Market Street, Opposite Postoffice

Parcel Post Packages Promptly Attended to. L. C. BARRETT, J. F. HASTINGS, Managers

SEE THE BEAUTIFUL NATURE DISPLAY IN WINDOW

...Robinson & Company...

Annual Christmas Sale of Men's, Women's and Children's CLOTHING, SHOES AND FURNISHINGS

Has Started and will Continue during the Entire Month of December.

At the psychological moment, at the most opportune time that this could possibly appear, just as you are in the midst of your Autumn and Winter shopping we offer you our most remarkable and attractive stock of seasonable merchandise at these extremely low sale prices. This is the sale that you eagerly await.

Let Nothing Keep You Away

Everything in the store marked in plain figures at sale prices.

ROBINSON & COMPANY NEXT TO WINDSOR HOTEL CLEARFIELD, PENN'A.

The Only Absolutely Safe Way

OF LIGHTING THE CHRISTMAS TREE IS ELECTRICALLY

A complete 8 light outfit only \$2.00. See our window for a demonstration of the new Bird, Animal and Fruit Lamps. We have them in Lions, Cats, Dogs, Roses, Lillies, Peaches, Pears, Strawberries, Chickens, Owls, Canary Birds, Etc. One string lasts for years.

Pocket Knives 25c to \$3

Scissors and Shears

Fountain Pens \$1.50 to \$6

Opposite Witmer Inn

HARDER'S GUN WORKS

Clearfield, Penn'a

The Automobile Owner

WOULD APPRECIATE A MOTOR TIRE PUMP

It will save him a lot of Hard, Hot Work next Summer. Or an ELECTRIC HORN. He has been wanting one for a long time.

Pocket Cigar Lighters and Smoker's Sets 25c to \$3

Flash Lights \$1 to \$2.25

Razors 25c to \$5

Air Guns 75c to \$2.50

Pop Guns 25c and 50c

Revolvers \$3 to \$15

Field Glasses \$6 to \$10

Electric Coffee Percolator

The Finest Line of DINING ROOM DOMES at extremely low prices. We have something special to show you in these